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2007 SENATE NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 2059

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. SB 2059

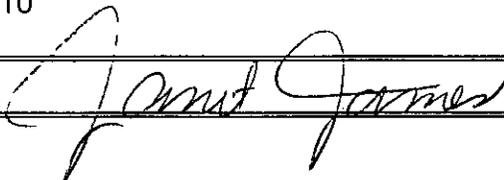
Senate Natural Resources Committee

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Hearing Date: January 4, 2007

Recorder Job Number: # 610

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Senator Stanley Lyson opened the hearing on SB 2059 relating to the fees for game and fish licenses and permits to propagate, domesticate, or possession of protected wildlife.

All members of the committee were present except for **Senator Ben Tollefson**.

Paul Schadewald, Chief of Administrative Services Division of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department introduced SB 2059 (see attached testimony #1). He further stated that the North Dakota Game and Fish Department will still be involved in a cooperate agreement with the North Dakota Department of Agriculture in the permitting for possession of species with the fees going to the Agricultural Department. With approximately only 100 permits a year, the North Dakota Game and Fish Department is willing to forego the fees because there is higher administrative cost than actual revenue.

Senator Lyson asked what the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's involvement in this permitting process.

Paul Schadewald stated the Game and Fish review the permits and work with the Board of Animal Health for facilities requirements and disease controls. Tagging requirements and keeping track of who has animals are just a few of the many things the Department needs to do.

Senator Constance Triplett asked for better clarification of the fiscal note on the bill.

Paul Schadewald explained that the North Dakota Game and Fish Department is trying to reduce the administrative load of the Agricultural Department. The Game and Fish Department will not have a saving, but it will be realized by the Agricultural Department.

Beth Carlson of North Dakota Board of Animal Health Department within the North Dakota Agricultural Department testified in support of SB 2059 (see attached testimony # 2).

Senator Lyson asked for any further testimony in support or in opposition of SB 2059, and hearing none, closed the hearing on SB 2059.

Senator Joel Heitkamp made a motion for a Do Pass of SB 2059.

Senator Layton Freborg second the motion.

With no further discussion, roll call vote #1 for Do Pass of SB 2059 was taken indicating 6

Yeas, 0 Nays and 1 absent.

Senator Heitkamp will carry SB 2059.

Senator Lyson adjourned the committee.

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

12/27/2006

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2059

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				(\$1,000)		(\$1,000)
Expenditures				\$0		\$0
Appropriations				\$0		\$0

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. Bill and fiscal impact summary: *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill eliminates the \$5 fee for a permit to propagate, domesticate, or possess protected wildlife. The permits will continue to be issued as part of a cooperative effort between Game and Fish and the ND Department of Agriculture.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

Approximately 100 permits costing \$5 each are issued each year. The permits will continued to be required, but no fee will be charges.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

If the \$5 fee is eliminated, Game and Fish fund revenue will be reduced approximately \$1,000 per biennium.

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

Name:	Paul T. Schadewald	Agency:	ND Game and Fish Department
Phone Number:	701-328-6328	Date Prepared:	12/28/2006

Date: 1-4-07

Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2059

Senate Natural Resources Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Heitkamp Seconded By Freborg

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Sen. Stanley Lyson, Chairman	✓		Sen. Joel Heitkamp	✓	
Sen. Ben Tollefson, ViceChairman			Sen. Jim Pomeroy	✓	
Sen. Layton Freborg	✓		Sen. Constance Triplett	✓	
Sen. Herbert Urlacher	✓				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Sen. Heitkamp

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
January 4, 2007 11:55 a.m.

Module No: SR-02-0234
Carrier: Heitkamp
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2059: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends DO PASS
(6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2059 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

2007 HOUSE NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 2059

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. SB 2059

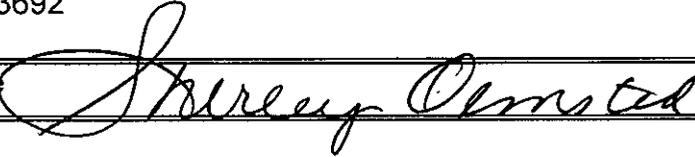
House Natural Resources Committee

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Hearing Date: February 22, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 3692

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Chairman Porter opened the hearing on SB 2059 and asked the clerk to read the title.

Mr. Paul Schadewald of the ND Game and Fish came forward as a sponsor of SB 2059. This is a rare one as we do not want to charge this fee anymore. See written testimony marked as Item #1.

Ms. Beth Carlson came forward in support of this bill. See written testimony marked as Item #2. This fee has become more of a hassle than is generated as a result of the fee.

Chairman Porter asked for any further testimony on SB 2059. Hearing one, he asked for opposition to SB 2059. Hearing none, the hearing was closed on SB 2059.

Representative Hanson made a motion for a **do pass on SB 2059**.

Representative Meyer seconded the motion.

Chairman Porter asked for discussion. Hearing none, the clerk was asked to call the roll on a **do pass on SB 2059**. Let the record show 12 yes, 0 no with 2 absent.

Representative Clark will carry this bill to the floor.

Date: 2-22-07
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2059

House Natural Resources Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number Do Pass

Action Taken

Motion Made By Hanson

Seconded By Meyer

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman - Rep. Porter	✓		Rep. Hanson	✓	
Vice-Chairman - Rep Damschen	✓		Rep. Hunsakor	✓	
Rep. Charging			Rep. Kelsh	✓	
Rep. Clark	✓		Rep. Meyer	✓	
Rep. DeKrey			Rep. Solberg	✓	
Rep. Drovdal	✓				
Rep. Hofstad	✓				
Rep. Keiser	✓				
Rep. Nottestad	✓				

Total Yes 12 No 0

Absent 2

Floor Assignment Clark

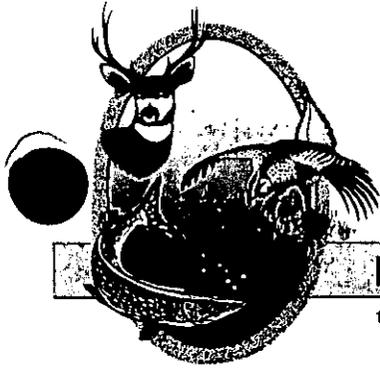
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2007 TESTIMONY

SB 2059



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**North Dakota Game and Fish Department Testimony
Senate Bill 2059
January 4, 2007**

*Same
given to
House*

Senate Bill 2059 eliminates the \$5 Game and Fish Department fee for a permit to propagate, domesticate, or possess protected wildlife (see page 2 of the bill). Currently the ND Board of Animal Health in the ND Department of Agriculture and Game and Fish jointly issue permits for animals such as whitetail and mule deer, wild turkey and pheasants. Applications are submitted to the Board of Animal Health. Approximately 100 of these permits are issued each year.

Under the current system/law the Board of Animal health collects their fees for birds and other species and also collects the \$5 for Game and Fish. The intent here is to have the customer only have one state agency to go to for permitting. This joint permitting works fine, but the collection of \$5 fees scattered through the year and transfer to Game and Fish is an administrative challenge and results in more accounting work for the Department of Agriculture than it is worth. It is recommended that the Game and Fish fee be eliminated.

Roger Johnson
AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER

Dr. Susan Keller
STATE VETERINARIAN

Dr. Beth Carlson
DEPUTY STATE VETERINARIAN

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Ron Fraase, Buffalo
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Dr. W.P. Tidball, Beach
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NONTRADITIONAL LIVESTOCK

**Testimony of Beth W. Carlson, DVM
Deputy State Veterinarian
Senate Bill 2059
Senate Natural Resources Committee
Fort Lincoln Room
January 4, 2007**

Same given to House

Chairman Lyson and members of the Natural Resources Committee, I am Deputy State Veterinarian Beth Carlson. I am here today on behalf of the North Dakota Department of Agriculture and the State Board of Animal Health in support of SB 2059, which will eliminate the fee for permits to propagate, domesticate, or possess protected wildlife.

The Board, through a memorandum of understanding with North Dakota Game and Fish Department, is responsible for issuing propagation permits, collecting the funds and transferring the revenue to Game and Fish. It is common for applicants to fail to submit the fee or to submit the wrong amount, requiring additional communication and occasionally, refunds. A significant amount of time is spent by Board staff and other Department staff in handling these fees. The value of the staff time involved is greater than the \$1,000 per biennium generated by the permits.

Chairman Lyson and committee members, for these reasons, we urge a do pass on SB 2059. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.